UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS 19 11 10 10 11 12: 2
LUFKIN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ex rel. VICTOR T. MURRAY

Plaintiff,

V.

C.A. NO. 9:99CV340

HIDGE JOHN HANNAH

Defendants.

Defendants.

THE UNITED STATES' NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(4), the United States notifies the Court that it hereby intervenes in this action.

The Government requests that only the complaint and this Notice be unsealed and served on the defendants. All other contents of the Court's file in this matter (including, but not limited to, any applications filed by the United States for an extension of the sixty-day investigative period, oppositions filed by the United States in response to the relator's motions, reply briefs, memoranda, and supporting documents) should remain under seal and not be made public or served upon the defendants.

By filing this Notice the United States expresses no opinion as to whether the relator's action is proper under the False Claims Act and the United States expressly reserves the right to assert that the action is not proper. A proposed order accompanies this notice.



Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing **United States' Notice of Election to Intervene** and proposed Order were served via first-class mail, postage prepaid, on this 28th day of March, 2000, on:

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